



FIRST
BAPTIST
HURST

Qualifications for Deacons

The qualifications for service as deacons are as follows:

1. one having no reason, scriptural or personal, why they would not care to be considered to serve as a deacon of First Baptist Church of Hurst (1 Timothy 3:8; 1 Corinthians 8:12, 13);
2. one who believes that the tithes and offerings are God's plan for support of the church and one who tithes and would promote and encourage tithing at all times (1 Corinthians 16:2; Matthew 23:23; 1 Timothy 3:8; Malachi 3:10);
3. one who is temperate, exercising moderation, restraint, and self-control (1 Timothy 3:8; Ephesians 5:18; 1 Corinthians 6:12, 8:12, 13; Galatians 5:13);
4. one who believes that being a deacon is a place of service and not a place of honor and that the place given a deacon in the church is one of service beyond the call of ordinary Christian responsibility (Acts 6:2, 3);
5. one who would support and promote the total church programs by his attendance at the regular services unless providentially hindered (1 Timothy 3:10; Hebrews 10:25);
6. one who will endeavor to lead his family in daily worship (1 Timothy 3:12; 1 Thessalonians 17:18);
7. one who realizes that a deacon should be a spiritual man with an understanding heart who, in the event of any misunderstanding between himself and any other church member, would go to that individual and endeavor to come to an understanding with his Christian brother (Galatians 6:1);
8. one who believes the cardinal truths of the Bible and affirms FBCH's Articles of Faith (1 Timothy 3:9-10);
9. one who would keep the contents of the deacons' meetings confidential and within the confines of his own home and sees that his family does the same (1 Timothy 3:8);
10. one who would, if he realizes that he must consistently miss the regular church service and deacons' meetings, voluntarily resign (1 Timothy 3:10);
11. one who makes a conscious effort to win the lost to Christ (1 Timothy 3:12);
12. one whose wife is faithful in the spiritual support of her husband (1 Timothy 3:11);
13. one who is the husband of one wife (1 Timothy 3:12);
14. one who has been a resident church member for at least six months.